SUPPORTING THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PRESERVE AMERICA APPLICATION

WHEREAS, *Preserve America* is a White House Initiative developed in cooperation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the U.S. Department of the Interior and the U.S. Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the goals of this initiative include a greater shared knowledge about our Nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's irreplaceable cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of the community; and

WHEREAS, this initiative is compatible with our community's interests and goals related to historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, designation as a *Preserve America* Community will improve our community's ability to protect and promote its historical resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

- 1. The Common Council will apply for the designation of the City of Bloomington as a *Preserve America* Community.
- 2. The Common Council agrees that it will protect and celebrate our heritage, use our historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 19 day of November 2008.

SUSAN SANDBERG, President Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this zaday of _____, 2008.

MARY KRUZAN, Mayor City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

The City of Bloomington, as a certified local government, was asked to apply for Preserve America designation by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology. In order to recognize the City of Bloomington's substantial efforts to steward endangered historic properties and to further its lengthy advocacy of heritage tourism as an economic development tool, the City will request this designation. The Preserve America program offers competitive grants to assist communities in the successful redevelopment of historic properties and areas.

Note: This resolution was revised after distribution in the Council Legislative Packet and before it was introduced at the 19 November 2008 Regular Session. The revision corrected a grammatical error in the last Whereas clause.

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